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AGREEMENTS

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1. IN APRIL 5 CONVERSATION WITH MSA COUNSELOR GARDNER, MFA DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS ASULA STATED THAT PREPARATION OF BRIEFING MATERIAL FOR PRESENTATION OF NEW DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT TO THE TURKISH PUBLIC AND TO PARLIAMENT HAS THUS FAR PREVENTED MINISTRY FROM FOCUSING ON U.S. PROPOSALS REGARDING SUPPLEMENTARY AGREEMENTS TO REPLACE FORMER ANNEXES (REF B). ASULA STATED THAT FOREIGN MINISTER'S USE OF TERM "IMPLEMENTING AGREEMENTS" IN HIS PRESS CONFERENCE WAS SLIP OF TONGUE, THAT GOT PREFERRED TO APPLY TERM "AGREED ARRANGEMENTS" TO FORMER ANNEXES, AND THAT MFA WISHED TO COMPLETE THEM AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE.

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2. GARDNER ASKED THAT ASULA TAKE TO TURKISH AUTHORITIES

FOLLOWING PROPOSALS OF U.S. NEGOTIATING TEAM IN ANKARA:

A. DISCUSSION OF ARRANGEMENTS ON RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TURKISH COMMANDER AND U.S. SENIOR OFFICER SHOULD BE POSTPONED UNTIL AFTER RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT AND RESUMPTION OF OPERATIONS SO THAT THEY MIGHT BE BASED ON ACTUAL RATHER THAN IMAGINED CIRCUMSTANCES (SEE REF A).

B. EXPERTS SHOULD PREPARE FIRST DRAFTS OF INTELLIGENCE SHARING AND JOINT USE ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTELLIGENCE INSTALLATIONS. GARDNER STATED THAT NSA REPRESENTATIVES IN ANKARA WOULD BE WILLING TO MEET WITH TURKISH GES REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING SINOP AND KARAMURSEL ARRANGEMENTS. HE ASKED ASULA TO DETERMINE WHETHER GOT WISHED TO HAVE JOINT USE ARRANGEMENTS FOR PIRINCLIK AND BELBASI AND, IF SO, WHETHER GES OR ANOTHER TURKISH AGENCY'S EXPERTS WOULD PARTICIAPTE IN DRAFTING THESE ARRANGEMENTS. GARDNER NOTED THAT, DEPENDING ON THEIR HEADQUARTERS DESIRES, U.S. DRAFTERS OF BELBASI AND PIRINCLIK ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT BE COMMANDERS OR OTHERS FROM THE INSTALLATIONS THEMSELVES. COMMENT: JUSMMAT WOULD COORDINATE U.S. DRAFTING OF ALL ARRANGEMENTS TO ASSURE UNIFORMITY AND INTERESTED HEADQUARTERS APPROVAL WOULD, OF COURSE, BE OBTAINED BEFORE ARRANGEMENTS ACTUALLY TABLED. TURKISH GENERAL STAFF APPARENTLY DESIRES THAT THESE ARRANGEMENTS BE FORMALLY TABLED AT WORKING GROUP (ASULA-GARDNER) LEVEL, AND WE HAVE NO OBJECTIONS TO THIS PROCEDURE.

C. SINCE INDIVIDUAL COMMUNICATIONS INSTALLATIONS DO NOT THEMSELVES DETERMINE USE OF CIRCUITS, THE COMMUNICATIONS JOINT USE PLAN, U.S. DRAFT OF WHICH ARRANGEMENTS FOR ALL TROPO-SCATTER SITES. GARDNER ADDED THAT U.S. ASSUMED THAT TURKS DID NOT RPT NOT CONTEMP-
PLATE ASSIGNING TECHNICAL PERSONNEL TO COMMUNICATIONS SITES EXCEPT POSSIBLY FOR TRAINING PURPOSES.

3. ASULA INDICATED GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH ALL PROPOSALS OUTLINED BY GARDNER BUT STATED THAT HE COULD NOT ASSURE TGS APPROVAL. HE NOTED THAT HE HAD ALREADY ASKED TGS
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TO HALT WORK IT HAD BEGUN ON COMMAND RELATIONSHIP ARRANGEMENTS. HE SAID HE WOULD TAKE LATEST U.S. PROPOSALS TO TGS AND HIS AUTHORITIES AND WOULD INFORM GARDNER LATER OF THEIR VIEWS.
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